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ABSTRACT

There is provided a lens module, including: a first lens having positive refractive power, an object-sided surface thereof being convex; a second lens having negative refractive power, an image-sided surface thereof being concave; a third lens having positive refractive power; a fourth lens having negative refractive power, an image-sided surface thereof being convex; and a fifth lens having negative refractive power, an image-sided surface thereof being concave, wherein the fourth lens satisfies Conditional Expression 1,

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$$\frac{f_4}{f} < -3.0$$

[Conditional Expression 1]

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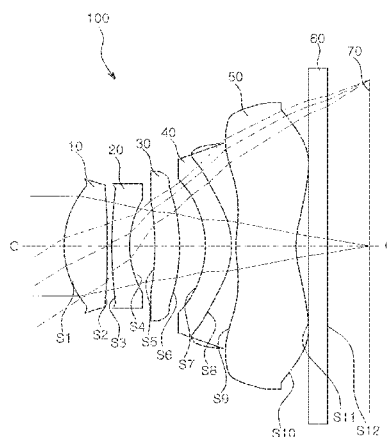
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where f is an overall focal distance of an optical system and f₄ is a focal distance of the fourth lens.

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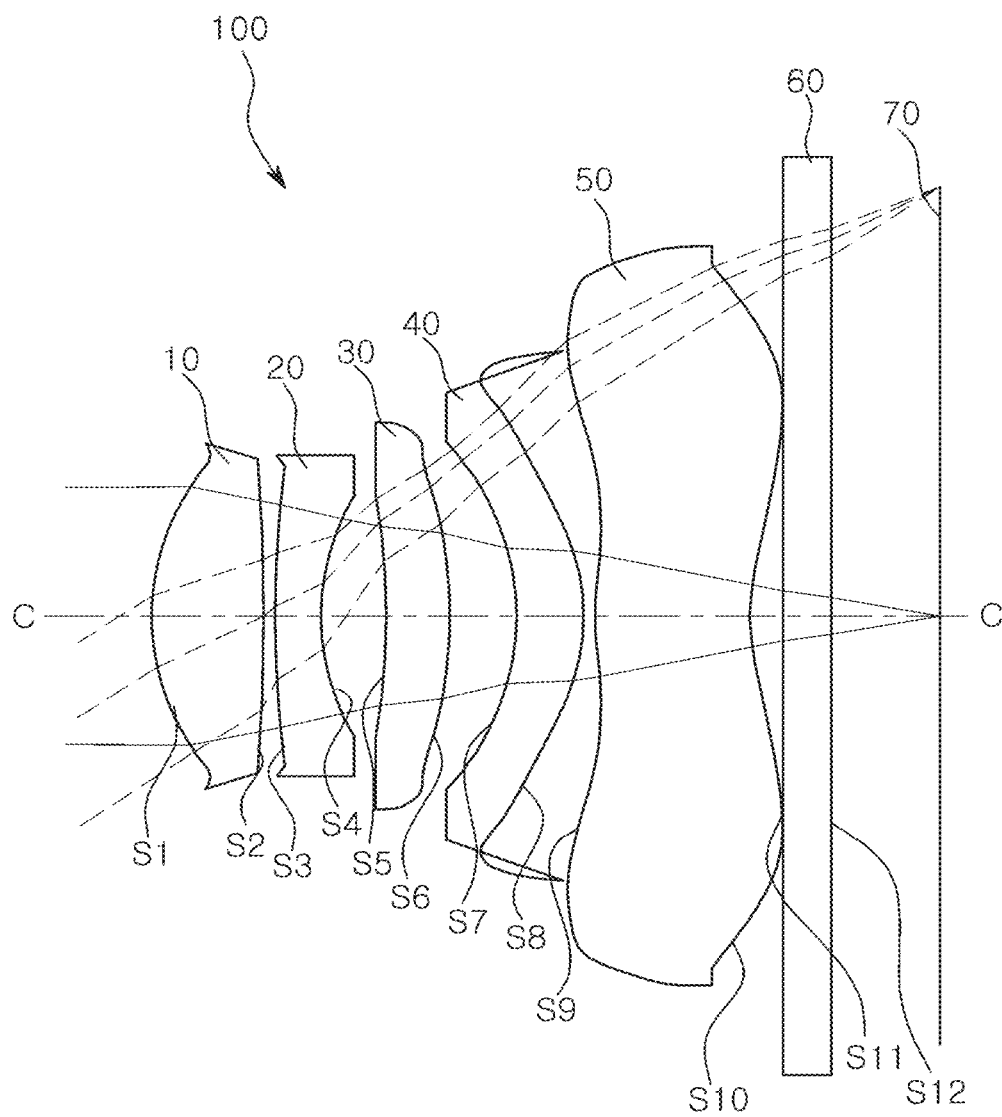


FIG. 1

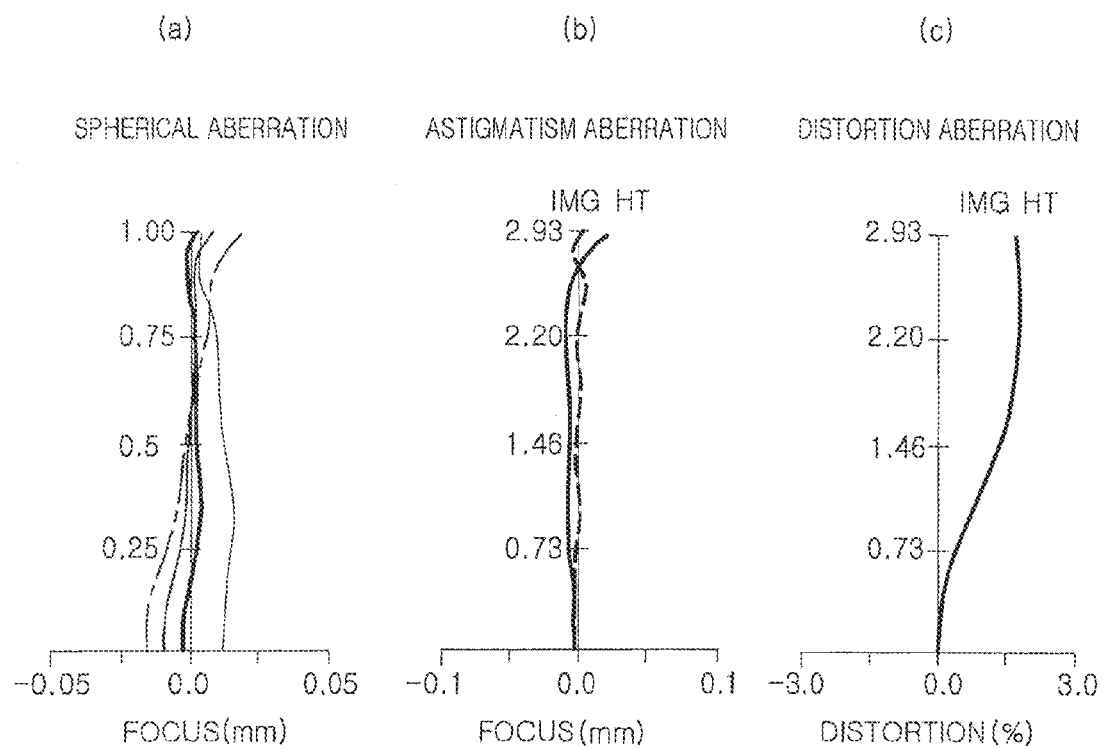


FIG. 2A

FIG. 2B

FIG. 2C

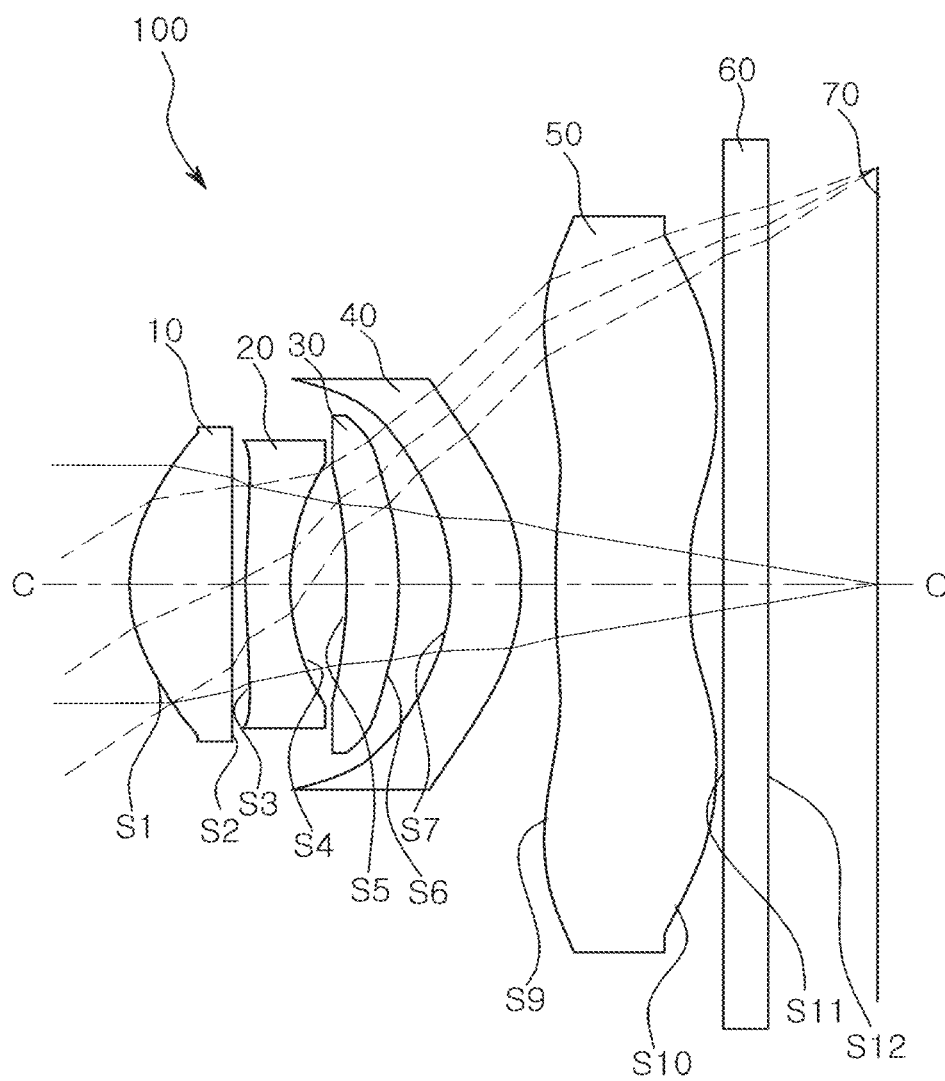


FIG. 3

(a)

SPHERICAL ABERRATION

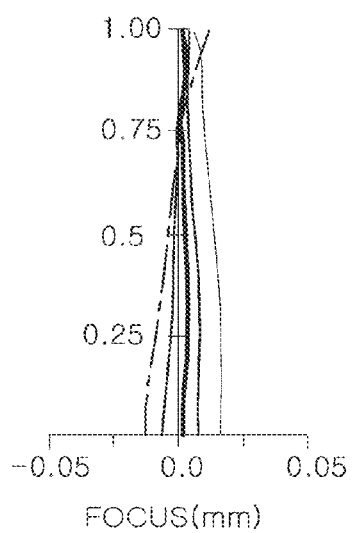


FIG. 4A

(b)

ASTIGMATISM ABERRATION

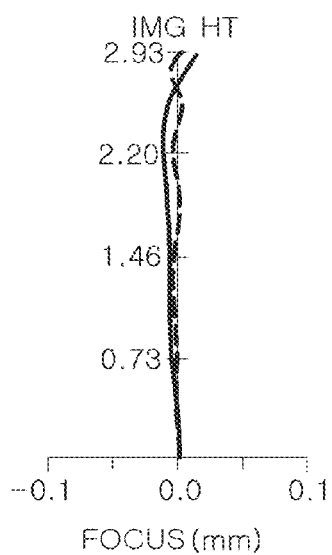


FIG. 4B

(c)

DISTORTION ABERRATION

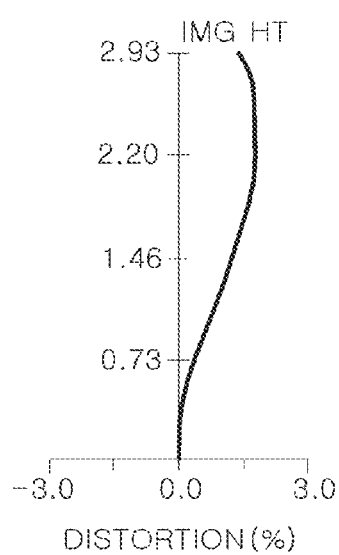


FIG. 4C

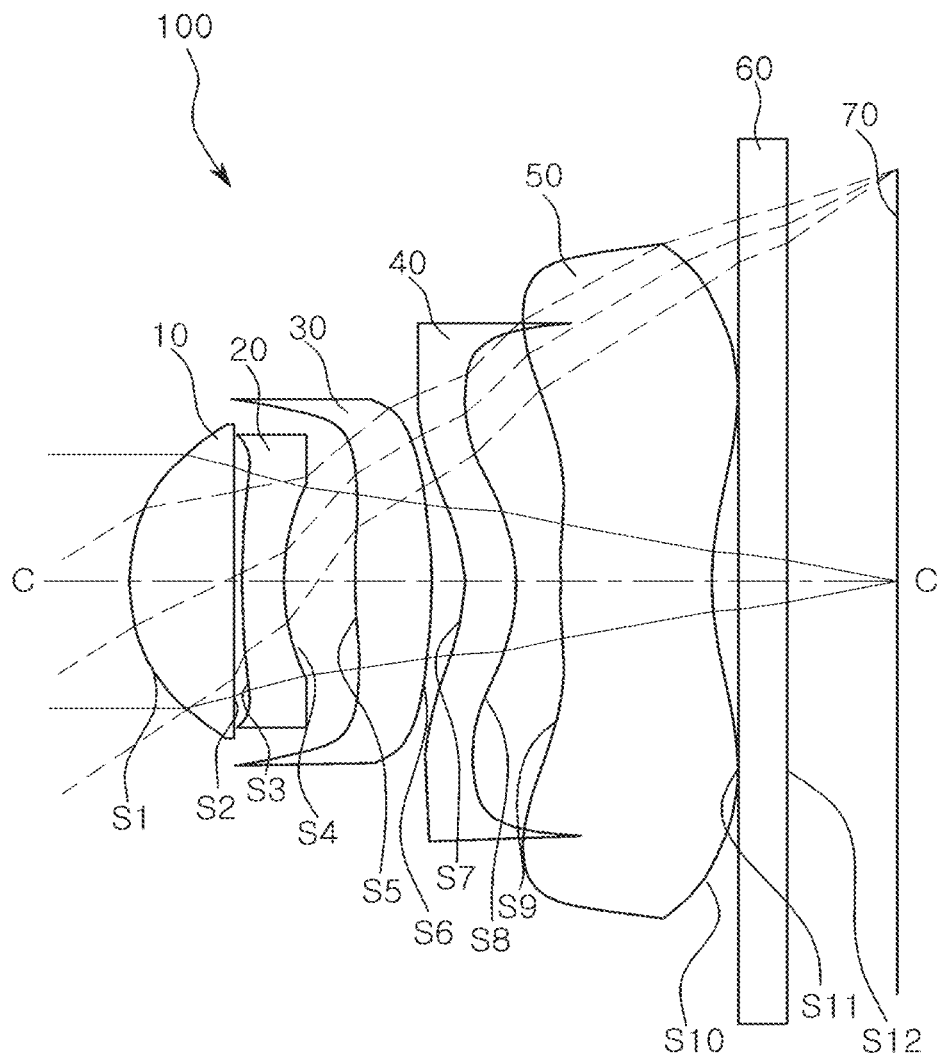


FIG. 5

(a)

SPHERICAL ABERRATION

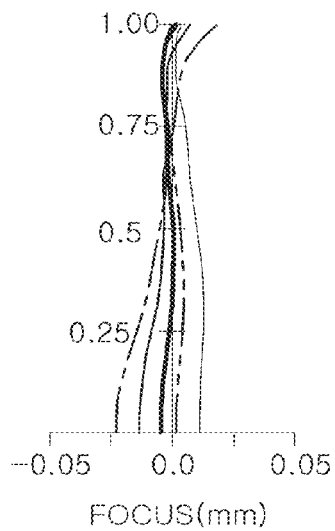


FIG. 6A

(b)

ASTIGMATISM ABERRATION

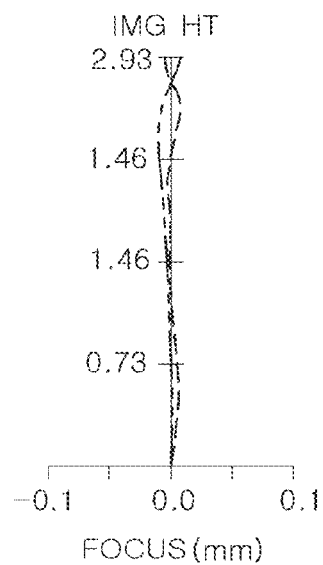


FIG. 6B

(c)

DISTORTION ABERRATION

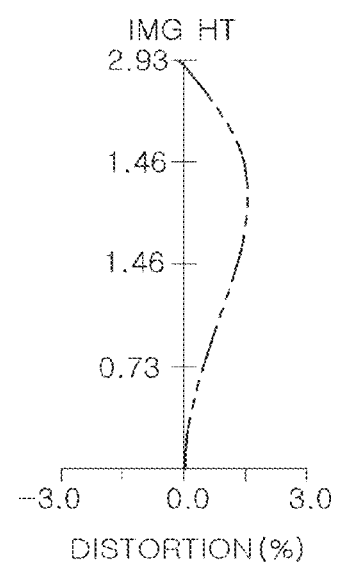


FIG. 6C

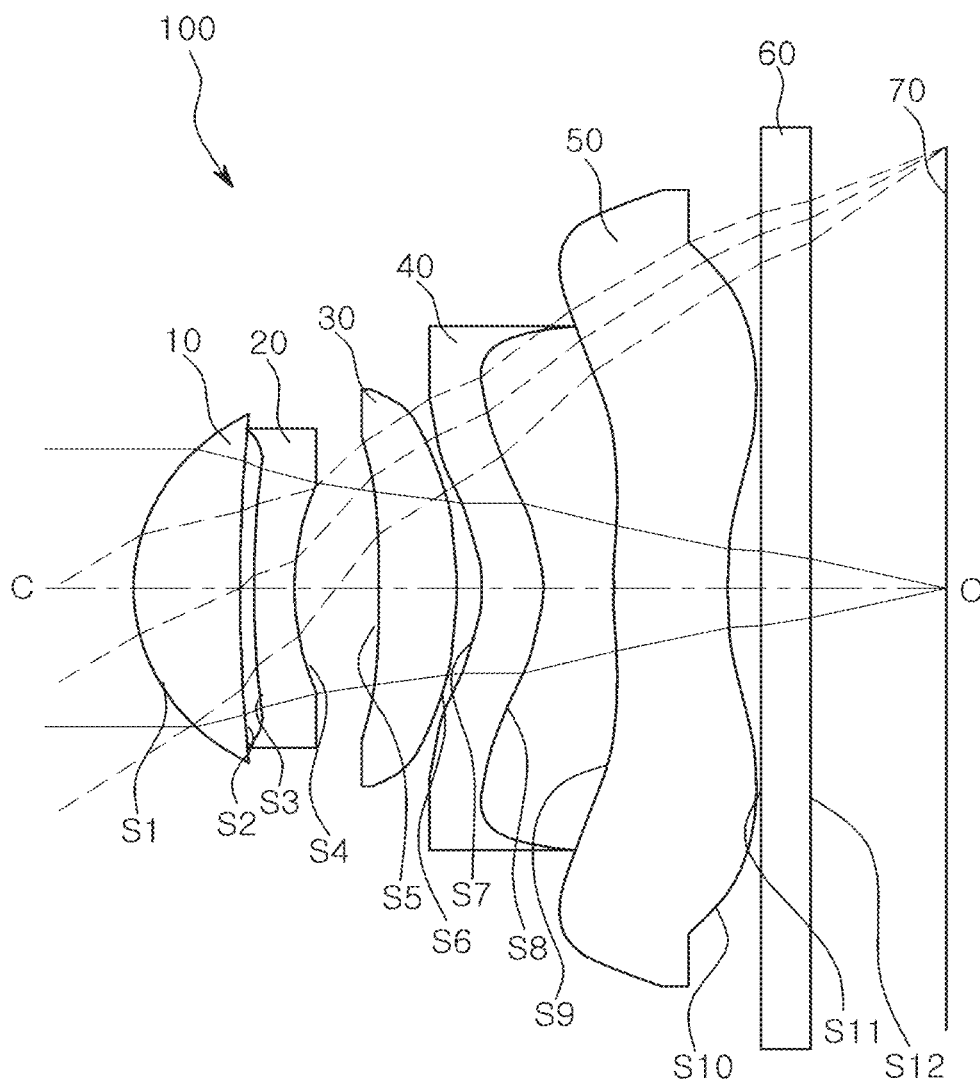


FIG. 7

(a)

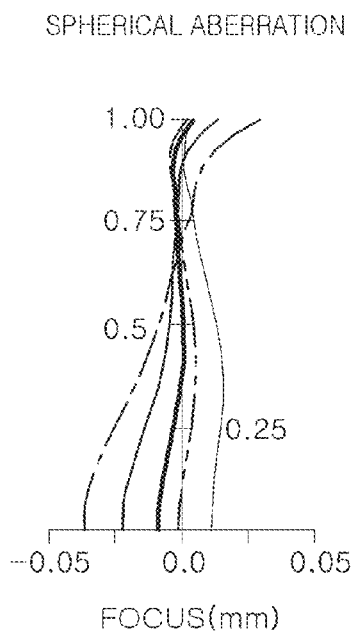


FIG. 8A

(b)

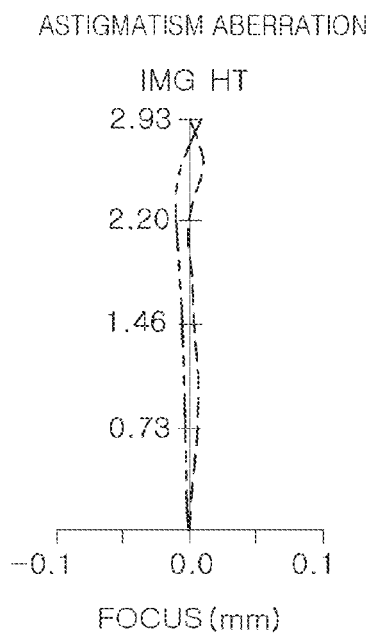


FIG. 8B

(c)

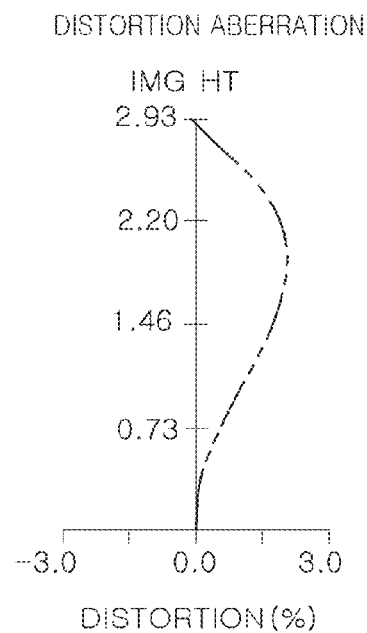


FIG. 8C

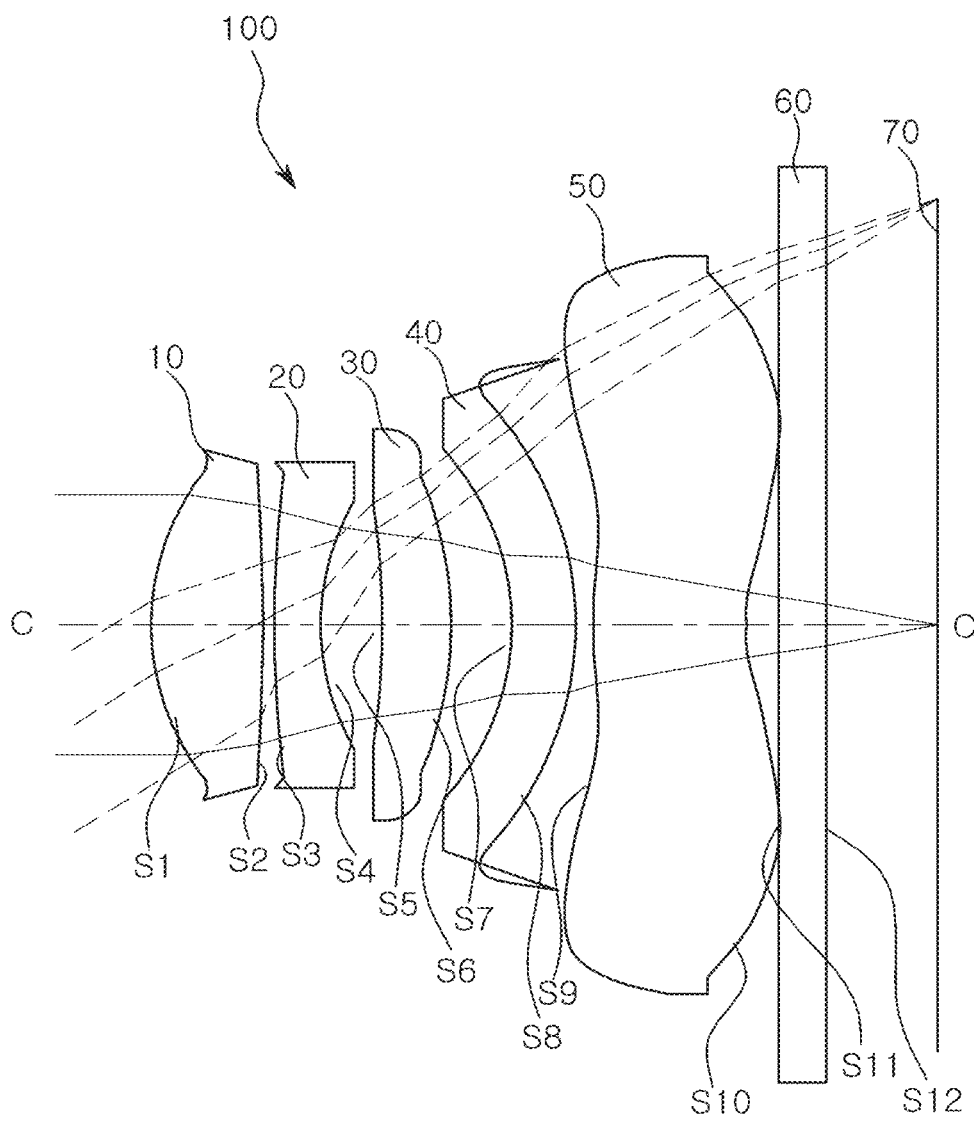


FIG. 9

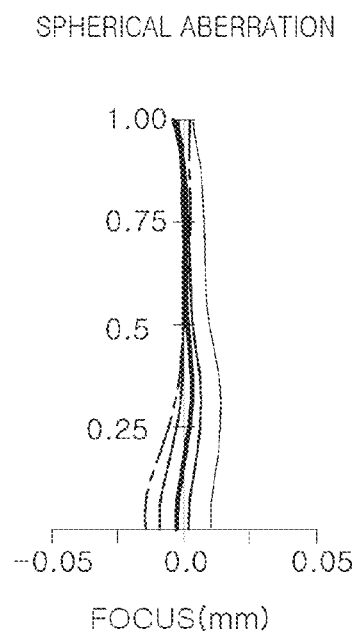


FIG. 10A

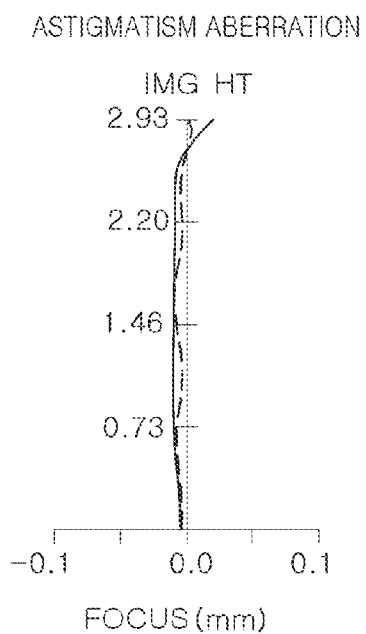


FIG. 10B

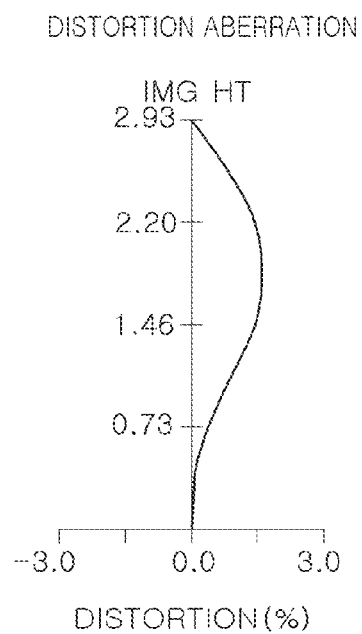


FIG. 10C

LENS MODULE

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of U.S. patent application Ser. Nos. 14/105,122, 14/105,105 and 14/105,096, filed on Dec. 12, 2013, which are continuation applications of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 13/588,208, filed on Aug. 17, 2012, which claim the priority of Korean Patent Application No. 10-2012-0062652 filed on Jun. 12, 2012, in the Korean Intellectual Property Office, the disclosures of which are incorporated in their entireties herein by reference.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

1. Field of the Invention

The present invention relates to a lens module for a camera, and more particularly, to a lens module capable of realizing a high-resolution performance and a bright optical system.

2. Description of the Related Art

Recent mobile communications terminals have a camera provided therewith, allowing for video communications and photography. In addition, as the functionality of cameras included in mobile terminals has gradually increased, cameras for a mobile terminal have gradually been required to have high resolution and high functionality.

However, there is a trend for mobile terminals to be smaller and a lighter weight, and thus, there may be a limit in realizing a highly-functional camera having high-resolution.

In order to solve these limits, recently, the lens of the camera has been formed of plastic having a lighter weight than glass, and 4 or more lenses constituting a lens module have been provided to realize high resolution.

However, an improvement of chromatic aberration is more difficult in a lens made of plastic than in a lens made of glass, and also, it is difficult to realize a relatively bright optical system in the plastic lens as compared to the glass lens.

Meanwhile, Patent Documents 1 and 2 disclose lens modules for realizing a high-resolution camera in the related art. (Patent Document 1) KR2012-018573 A (Patent Document 2) KR2007-097369 A

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

An aspect of the present invention provides a lens module capable of realizing a high-resolution performance and a bright optical system.

According to an aspect of the present invention, there is provided a lens module, including: a first lens having positive refractive power, an object-sided surface thereof being convex; a second lens having negative refractive power, an image-sided surface thereof being concave; a third lens having positive refractive power; a fourth lens having negative refractive power, an image-sided surface thereof being convex; and a fifth lens having negative refractive power, an image-sided surface thereof being concave, wherein the fourth lens satisfies Conditional Expression 1,

$$\frac{f4}{f} < -3.0$$

[Conditional Expression 1]

where f is an overall focal distance of an optical system and f4 is a focal distance of the fourth lens.

The first lens and the fourth lens may satisfy Conditional Expression 2,

$$20 < v_1 - v_4 < 40$$

[Conditional Expression 2]

where v_1 is an abbe number of the first lens, and v_4 is an abbe number of the fourth lens.

The first lens and the fourth lens may satisfy Conditional Expression 3,

$$\frac{f4}{f1} < -5.0$$

[Conditional Expression 3]

where f1 is a focal distance of the first lens, and f4 is the focal distance of the fourth lens.

The lens module may satisfy Conditional Expression 4,

$$0.5 < \frac{TL}{f} < 2.0$$

[Conditional Expression 4]

where TL is a distance from the object-sided surface of the first lens to an upper surface of an image sensor, and f is the overall focal distance of the optical system.

The third lens may have a convex image-sided surface.

The fourth lens may have a meniscus shape.

The fifth lens may have at least one inflection point formed on the image-sided surface thereof.

According to another aspect of the present invention, there is provided a lens module, including: a first lens having positive refractive power, an object-sided surface thereof being convex; a second lens having negative refractive power, an image-sided surface thereof being concave; a third lens having a meniscus shape convex toward an image; a fourth lens having negative refractive power, an image-sided surface thereof being convex; and a fifth lens having negative refractive power, an image-sided surface thereof being concave,

wherein the fourth lens satisfies Conditional Expression 1,

$$\frac{f4}{f} < -3.0$$

[Conditional Expression 1]

where f is an overall focal distance of an optical system and f4 is a focal distance of the fourth lens.

The first lens and the fourth lens may satisfy Conditional Expression 2,

$$20 < v_1 - v_4 < 40$$

[Conditional Expression 2]

where v_1 is an abbe number of the first lens, and v_4 is an abbe number of the fourth lens.

The first lens and the fourth lens may satisfy Conditional Expression 3,

$$\frac{f4}{f1} < -5.0$$

[Conditional Expression 3]

where f1 is a focal distance of the first lens, and f4 is the focal distance of the fourth lens.

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The lens module may satisfy Conditional Expression 4,

$$0.5 < \frac{TL}{f} < 2.0 \quad [\text{Conditional Expression 4}]$$

where TL is a distance from the object-sided surface of the first lens to an upper surface of an image sensor, and f is the overall focal distance of the optical system.

The third lens may be convex toward the image.

The fifth lens may have at least one inflection point formed on at least one of an object-sided surface and the image-sided surface thereof.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The above and other aspects, features and other advantages of the present invention will be more clearly understood from the following detailed description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, in which:

FIG. 1 is a structural view of a lens module according to a first embodiment of the present invention;

FIGS. 2A, 2B and 2C are graphs showing aberration characteristics of the lens module of FIG. 1;

FIG. 3 is a structural view of a lens module according to a second embodiment of the present invention;

FIGS. 4A, 4B and 4C are graphs showing aberration characteristics of the lens module of FIG. 3;

FIG. 5 is a structural view of a lens module according to a third embodiment of the present invention;

FIGS. 6A, 6B and 6C are graphs showing aberration characteristics of the lens module of FIG. 5;

FIG. 7 is a structural view of a lens module according to a fourth embodiment of the present invention;

FIGS. 8A, 8B and 8C are graphs showing aberration characteristics of the lens module of FIG. 7;

FIG. 9 is a structural view of a lens module according to a fifth embodiment of the present invention; and

FIGS. 10A, 10B and 10C are graphs showing aberration characteristics of the lens module of FIG. 9.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Hereinafter, embodiments of the present invention will be described in detail with reference to the accompanying drawings.

In describing the present invention below, terms indicating components of the present invention are named in consideration of functions thereof. Therefore, the terms should not be understood as limiting technical components of the present invention.

For reference, it is to be noted that, in the present specification, the term “front” refers to a direction toward an object from a lens module, while the term “rear” refers to a direction toward an image sensor from a lens module. In addition, it is to be noted that, in each lens, a first surface refers to a surface toward an object and a second surface refers to a surface adjacent to an image.

FIG. 1 is a structural view of a lens module according to a first embodiment of the present invention; FIGS. 2A, 2B and 2C are graphs showing aberration characteristics of the lens module of FIG. 1; FIG. 3 is a structural view of a lens module according to a second embodiment of the present invention; FIGS. 4A, 4B and 4C are graphs showing aberration characteristics of the lens module of FIG. 3; FIG. 5 is a structural view of a lens module according to a third embodiment of the

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present invention; FIGS. 6A, 6B and 6C are graphs showing aberration characteristics of the lens module of FIG. 5; FIG. 7 is a structural view of a lens module according to a fourth embodiment of the present invention; FIGS. 8A, 8B and 8C are graphs showing aberration characteristics of the lens module of FIG. 7; FIG. 9 is a structural view of a lens module according to a fifth embodiment of the present invention; and FIGS. 10A, 10B and 10C are graphs showing aberration characteristics of the lens module of FIG. 9.

A lens module 100 according to the present invention may include a first lens 10, a second lens 20, a third lens 30, a fourth lens 40, and a fifth lens 50, and may selectively further include an aperture and a filter member 60, and an image sensor 70. The first lens 10 to the fifth lens 50 may be sequentially disposed from an object (that is, a subject or an object to be photographed) toward an image (that is, the image sensor).

The first lens 10, the second lens 20, the third lens 30, the fourth lens 40, and the fifth lens 50 may be all formed of plastic. As such, when all the lenses 10, 20, 30, 40 and 50 are formed of plastic, the manufacturing cost of the lens module 100 may be reduced and the lens modules 100 may be conveniently mass-produced. In addition, when the lenses 10, 20, 30, 40, and 50 are formed of plastic, first and second surfaces S1, S2, S3, S4, S5, S6, S7, S8, S9, and S10 of the lenses are easily processed, and thus, the surfaces of the lenses may be formed to have a spherical or aspherical shape.

In the lens module 100, the first lens 10 may be disposed closest to the object.

The first lens 10 may have positive refractive power overall. In addition, the first surface S1 of the first lens 10 may be convex toward the object, and the second surface S2 thereof may be convex toward the image. In detail, the first surface S1 may be more convex than the second surface S2.

At least one of the first surface S1 and the second surface S2 of the first lens 10 may be aspherical. However, as needed, both of the first surface S1 and the second surface S2 of the first lens 10 may be aspherical.

The second lens 20 may be disposed in the rear of the first lens 10 (that is, in the direction toward the image). The second lens 20 may have negative refractive power overall, and may be formed of plastic in like manner to the first lens 10.

The first surface S3 of the second lens 20 may be convex toward the object, and the second surface S4 thereof may be concave toward the object. In addition, the second lens 20 may have at least one aspherical surface. For example, at least one of the first surface S3 and the second surface S4 of the second lens 20 may be aspherical. However, as needed, both of the first surface S3 and the second surface S4 of the second lens 20 may be aspherical.

The second lens 20 may have an abbe number satisfying Mathematical Expression 1 below.

$$v_2 < 40$$

[Mathematical Expression 1]

Here, v_2 is the abbe number of the second lens.

As such, when the abbe number of the second lens 20 is below 40, chromatic aberration caused by the first lens 10 may be effectively corrected. When the abbe number of the second lens 20 is above 40, a difference between an abbe number of the first lens 10 and the abbe number of the second lens 20 may be reduced (In general, the abbe number of the first lens 10 is between 50 and 60), such that a chromatic aberration correction effect through the second lens 20 may be deteriorated. Therefore, the second lens 20 may be manufactured in such a manner that the abbe number thereof is below 40, as supposed in Mathematical Expression 1. The abbe number of the second lens 20 may be 20 to 30.

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The third lens **30** may be disposed in the rear of the second lens **20**. The third lens **30** may have positive refractive power overall, and may be formed of plastic. However, as needed, the third lens **30** may have negative refractive power.

The first surface **S5** of the third lens **30** may be concave, and the second surface **S6** thereof may be convex toward the image. Here, in some cases, the first surface **S5** of the third lens **30** may be convex toward the object (please refer to the third embodiment of the present invention shown in FIG. 5).

Meanwhile, the second lens **20** and the third lens **30** as described above may satisfy Mathematical Expression 2.

$$-3.0 < \frac{f_3}{f_2} < -0.3 \quad \text{[Mathematical Expression 2]}$$

Here, f_2 is a focal distance of the second lens **20** and f_3 is a focal distance of the third lens **30**.

In the lens module, if a value of f_3/f_2 is below the lower limit according to Mathematical Expression 2, the refractive power of the second lens may be increased, and thus, it may be difficult to manufacture the second lens. In the same manner, in the lens module, if the value of f_3/f_2 is above the upper limit according to Mathematical Expression 2, the refractive power of the third lens may be increased, and thus, it may be difficult to manufacture the third lens.

Therefore, it is desirable to satisfy conditions for Mathematical Expression 2 to allow for mass-production of the lens module.

The fourth lens **40** may be disposed in the rear of the third lens **30**. The fourth lens **40** may have negative refractive power, and may be formed of plastic.

The first surface **S7** of the fourth lens **40** may be concave, and the second surface **S8** thereof may be convex toward the image. In addition, the fourth lens **40** may have a meniscus shape, convex toward the image, overall.

The fourth lens **40** may satisfy Mathematical Expressions 3 to 5.

$$20 < v_1 - v_4 < 40 \quad \text{[Mathematical Expression 3]}$$

Here, v_1 is the abbe number of the first lens, and v_4 is an abbe number of the fourth lens.

Mathematical Expression 3 may be a limitation condition with respect to chromatic aberration of the lens module. That is, when a lens module satisfying Mathematical Expression 3 is manufactured, the chromatic aberration correction effect may be improved through the first lens **10** and the fourth lens **40**. However, if a value of $v_1 - v_4$ is below the lower limit according to Mathematical Expression 3, a lens of glass needs to be used, and thus, unit costs for manufacturing the lens module **100** may be increased. Unlike this, if the value of $v_1 - v_4$ is above the upper limit according to Mathematical Expression 3, the chromatic aberration correction effect may be deteriorated, and thus, it may be difficult to manufacture a lens module capable of realizing high resolution.

$$\frac{f_4}{f_1} < -5.0 \quad \text{[Mathematical Expression 4]}$$

Here, f_1 is a focal distance of the first lens, and f_4 is a focal distance of the fourth lens.

Mathematical Expression 4 may be a limitation condition for limiting the refractive power of the fourth lens **40**. That is, if a value of f_4/f_1 is above the upper limit according to Mathematical Expression 4, the refractive power of the fourth

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lens **40** in the lens module may be increased, and thus, resolution of the lens module **100** may be deteriorated or an overall length of the lens module **100** (that is, an overall length of the optical system) may be increased.

$$\frac{f_4}{f} < -3.0 \quad \text{[Mathematical Expression 5]}$$

Here, f is an overall focal distance of the lens module, and f_4 is the focal distance of the fourth lens.

Mathematical Expression 5 may be a limitation condition for limiting the refractive power of the fourth lens **40**, like Mathematical Expression 4. That is, if a value of f_4/f is above the upper limit according to Mathematical Expression 5, the (negative) refractive power of the fourth lens **40** in the lens module may be increased, and thus, resolution of the lens module **100** may be deteriorated or the overall focal distance of the lens module may become excessively small, so that distortion correction may be difficult (or a viewing angle of the lens module may be excessively large, and thus, a distortion phenomenon may occur).

Therefore, Mathematical Expression 4 and Mathematical Expression 5 all may need to be satisfied in order to decrease the overall length of the lens module **100**.

The fifth lens **50** may be disposed in the rear of the fourth lens **40**. The fifth lens **50** may have negative refractive power, and may be formed of plastic.

The first surface **S9** of the fifth lens **50** may be convex toward the object at an intersection thereof with an optical axis (C-C) and may be concave at a peripheral portion thereof based on the optical axis (C-C). In addition, the second surface **S10** of the fifth lens **50** may be concave at an intersection thereof with the optical axis (C-C) and may be convex at a peripheral portion thereof based on the optical axis (C-C). That is, at least one inflection point may be formed on the first surface **S9** and the second surface **S10** of the fifth lens **50**.

The filter member **60** may be disposed in the rear of the fifth lens **50**. Both surfaces of the filter member **60** may flat planes, and may be formed of a material other than plastic. For example, the filter member **60** may be formed of glass.

The filter member **60** may block infrared light. To achieve this, an IR blocking film may be attached to, or an IR blocking layer may be coated on, at least one surface of the filter member **60**. Meanwhile, the filter member **60** may be omitted, depending on the type of the lens module **100**.

The image sensor **70** may be disposed in the rear of the filter member **60**.

The image sensor **70** may convert an image of the object, incident through the lenses **10**, **20**, **30**, **40**, and **50** into an electric signal. A charge-coupled device (CCD), complementary metal-oxide-semiconductor (CMOS), or the like, may be used for the image sensor **70**, and the image sensor **70** may be manufactured in the form of chip scale package (CSP).

The aperture (not shown) may be disposed in front of the first lens **10** or between the first lens **10** and the second lens **20**. However, the aperture may be omitted as needed.

The lens module **100** as described above may satisfy Mathematical Expression 6.

$$0.5 < \frac{TL}{f} < 2.0 \quad \text{[Mathematical Expression 6]}$$

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Here, TL is an overall length of the optical system (a length from the first surface S1 of the first lens to an upper surface of the image sensor 70), and f is the overall focal distance of the optical system.

Mathematical Expression 6 may be a numerical value for limiting the viewing angle and the length of the lens module. That is, if a value of TL/f is below the lower limit according to Mathematical Expression 6, it may be difficult to obtain the viewing angle of the lens module 100. On the contrary, if the value of TL/f is above the upper limit according to Mathematical Expression 6, the length (that is, TL) of the lens module 100 is extended, and thus, it is difficult to manufacture the lens module 100 so as to have a small size.

Meanwhile, at least one surface of the first lens 10 to the fourth lens 40 may be aspherical. Aspherical coefficients of the lenses may be calculated by using Mathematical Expression 7.

$$z = \frac{ch^2}{1 \div \text{SQRT}\{1 - (1 + k)c^2h^2\}} + Ah^4 + Bh^6 + Ch^8 + Dh^{10} + Eh^{12} + Fh^{14} \quad \text{[Mathematical Expression 7]}$$

Here, c is curvature (1/radius of curvature), h is a radius from the center to a specific position in the lens, K is a conic coefficient, A is a 4th-order coefficient, B is a 6th-order coefficient, C is an 8th-order coefficient, D is a 10th-order coefficient, E is an 12th-order coefficient, F is a 14th-order coefficient, and Z is sag at the specific position.

For reference, K, A, B, C, D, E, and F values for respective embodiments are shown in Tables 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10.

The lens module 100 as constructed above may realize high resolution through numerical limitations according to Mathematical Expressions 1 to 5, and may be miniaturized.

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lens 30 having positive refractive power, the fourth lens 40 having negative refractive power, and the fifth lens 50 having negative refractive power.

TABLE 1

Surface No.	Radius of Curvature	Thickness or Distance	Refractive Index	Abbe No. (v)
S1	1.381	0.63	1.544	56.1
S2	8.924	0.09		
S3	4.656	0.30	1.632	23.4
S4	1.988	0.37		
S5	-6.107	0.37	1.544	56.1
S6	-2.683	0.42		
S7	-1.294	0.44	1.635	24
S8	-1.591	0.10		
S9	2.674	0.86	1.544	56.1
S10	1.684	0.18		
S11	Infinity	0.30	1.517	64.2
S12	Infinity	0.71		
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In the lens module 100 of the present embodiment, the focal distance f1 of the first lens 10 is 2.91 mm; the focal distance f2 of the second lens 20 is -5.68 mm; the focal distance f3 of the third lens 30 is 8.44 mm; the focal distance f4 of the fourth lens 40 is -25.61 mm; the focal distance f5 of the fifth lens 50 is -12.01 mm; the overall focal distance f is 4.12 mm; and F number (F No.) is 2.40. Meanwhile, TL according to the embodiment is 4.77 mm, the smallest among the accompanying embodiments, together with Embodiment 2.

TABLE 2

Surface No.	K	A	B	C	D	E	F
S1	-1.857E-01	8.822E-03	2.769E-02	-5.482E-02	6.735E-02	-2.650E-03	-3.576E-02
S2	0.000E+00	-1.533E-01	3.258E-01	-4.407E-01	3.643E-01	-1.995E-01	0.000E+00
S3	0.000E+00	-2.557E-01	4.932E-01	-5.532E-01	3.437E-01	-1.596E-01	0.000E+00
S4	3.390E+00	-1.678E-01	2.501E-01	-1.168E-01	-1.009E-01	7.702E-02	0.000E+00
S5	0.000E+00	-1.242E-01	3.027E-02	5.238E-02	1.532E-01	-1.558E-01	-3.302E-02
S6	0.000E+00	-4.577E-02	-2.435E-02	9.005E-02	8.243E-02	-1.060E-01	1.767E-02
S7	-7.750E+00	-1.172E-01	2.440E-02	3.182E-02	1.992E-02	-4.579E-02	1.490E-02
S8	-7.074E+00	-1.305E-01	6.054E-02	5.414E-03	-6.086E-03	-1.476E-03	6.415E-04
S9	-1.756E+01	-1.810E-01	8.834E-02	-1.984E-02	2.252E-03	-1.045E-04	0.000E+00
S10	-8.176E+00	-6.832E-02	1.848E-02	-3.813E-03	4.408E-04	-1.997E-05	0.000E+00

In addition, the lens module 100 may improve brightness of the lens module 100 by limiting the focal distance of the fourth lens 40 through Mathematical Expressions 4 and 5.

Tables 1 to 10 below show numeral values in several embodiments of the lens module 100 having the above construction.

First Embodiment

The lens module 100 according to the first embodiment of the present invention will be described with reference to FIGS. 1, 2A, 2B, and 2C.

The lens module 100 according to the first embodiment may include the first lens 10 having positive refractive power, the second lens 20 having negative refractive power, the third

Second Embodiment

The lens module 100 according to the second embodiment of the present invention will be described with reference to FIGS. 3, 4A, 4B, and 4C.

The lens module 100 according to the second embodiment may include the first lens 10 having positive refractive power, the second lens 20 having negative refractive power, the third lens 30 having positive refractive power, the fourth lens 40 having negative refractive power, and the fifth lens 50 having negative refractive power.

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TABLE 3

Surface No.	Radius of Curvature	Thickness or Distance	Refractive Index	Abbe No. (v)
S1	1.406	0.65	1.544	56.1
S2	11.651	0.09		
S3	4.624	0.28	1.632	23.4
S4	1.950	0.37		
S5	-6.459	0.33	1.544	56.1
S6	-2.625	0.33		
S7	-1.220	0.44	1.635	24
S8	-1.419	0.22		
S9	3.379	0.85	1.544	56.1
S10	1.759	0.21		
S11	Infinity	0.30	1.517	64.2
S12	Infinity	0.70		
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In the lens module **100** of the present embodiment, the focal distance f1 of the first lens **10** is 2.86 mm; the focal distance f2 of the second lens **20** is -5.50 mm; the focal distance f3 of the third lens **30** is 7.85 mm; the focal distance f4 of the fourth lens **40** is -100.00 mm; the focal distance f5 of the fifth lens **50** is -8.24 mm; the overall focal distance f is 4.12 mm; and F No. is 2.40. In addition, TL according to the embodiment is 4.77, the smallest, together with the first embodiment.

TABLE 4

Surface No.	K	A	B	C	D	E	F
S1	-1.279E-01	5.285E-03	1.100E-02	-2.319E-02	1.870E-02	1.418E-02	-3.576E-02
S2	0.000E+00	-1.403E-01	3.172E-01	-4.893E-01	4.199E-01	-2.180E-01	0.000E+00
S3	0.000E+00	-2.361E-01	4.952E-01	-5.972E-01	3.879E-01	-1.596E-01	0.000E+00
S4	2.060E+00	-1.456E-01	2.874E-01	-1.720E-01	7.661E-03	7.702E-02	0.000E+00
S5	0.000E+00	-1.194E-01	4.204E-02	-3.706E-02	2.576E-01	-1.654E-01	-3.302E-02
S6	0.000E+00	-3.044E-02	7.503E-03	-1.392E-02	1.149E-01	-3.098E-02	-3.233E-02
S7	-5.304E+00	-8.453E-02	3.411E-02	-1.067E-02	2.377E-02	-2.645E-02	5.479E-03
S8	-4.342E+00	-7.572E-02	3.027E-02	9.316E-03	-4.083E-03	-2.132E-03	6.763E-04
S9	-1.756E+01	-1.537E-01	6.951E-02	-1.396E-02	1.386E-03	-5.457E-05	0.000E+00
S10	-8.176E+00	-6.808E-02	1.964E-02	-4.242E-03	5.018E-04	-2.250E-05	0.000E+00

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Third Embodiment

The lens module **100** according to the third embodiment of the present invention will be described with reference to FIGS. 5, 6A, 6B, and 6C.

The lens module **100** according to the third embodiment may include the first lens **10** having positive refractive power, the second lens **20** having negative refractive power, the third lens **30** having positive refractive power, the fourth lens **40** having negative refractive power, and the fifth lens **50** having negative refractive power.

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Here, the first surface **S5** of the third lens **30** may be convex toward the object, unlike the other embodiments. In addition, the fourth lens **40** may have an inflection point at a peripheral portion based on the optical axis (C-C) as shown in FIG. 5.

TABLE 5

Surface No.	Radius of Curvature	Thickness or Distance	Refractive Index	Abbe No. (v)
S1	1.436	0.64	1.544	56.1
S2	6.630	0.08		
S3	3.358	0.27	1.632	23.4
S4	1.706	0.45		
S5	13.188	0.48	1.544	56.1
S6	-3.790	0.22		
S7	-1.061	0.33	1.614	25.6
S8	-1.207	0.28		
S9	4.924	0.96	1.544	56.1
S10	1.883	0.17		
S11	Infinity	0.30	1.517	64.2
S12	Infinity	0.70		
img	Infinity			

In the lens module **100** of the present embodiment, the focal distance f1 of the first lens **10** is 3.23 mm; the focal distance f2 of the second lens **20** is -5.85 mm; the focal distance f3 of the third lens **30** is 5.46 mm; the focal distance f4 of the fourth lens **40** is -100.00 mm; the focal distance f5 of the fifth lens **50** is -6.31 mm; and the overall focal distance f is 4.16 mm. In addition, F No. of the present embodiment is 2.20, brighter than the first and second embodiments. However, TL according to the embodiment is 4.87, slightly larger than the first and second embodiments.

TABLE 6

Surface No.	K	A	B	C	D	E	F
S1	-4.734E-02	1.039E-02	9.817E-03	1.128E-02	-3.620E-03	3.154E-03	1.005E-02
S2	0.000E+00	-1.480E-01	3.499E-01	-4.657E-01	4.167E-01	-1.825E-01	-9.593E-11
S3	0.000E+00	-2.849E-01	4.791E-01	-5.550E-01	4.056E-01	-1.943E-01	7.842E-11
S4	1.916E+00	-1.879E-01	2.221E-01	-1.494E-01	-3.436E-02	3.671E-02	5.422E-11
S5	0.000E+00	-5.424E-02	1.372E-02	-1.117E-01	1.591E-01	-7.781E-02	-6.676E-03
S6	0.000E+00	2.355E-02	1.825E-02	-9.312E-02	9.100E-02	-3.215E-02	-2.116E-03
S7	-3.555E+00	3.317E-02	6.449E-02	-2.497E-02	1.728E-02	-2.030E-02	5.935E-03
S8	-3.212E+00	-3.105E-02	5.708E-02	1.093E-02	-6.751E-03	-3.138E-03	1.104E-03
S9	-1.756E+01	-1.831E-01	9.539E-02	-3.645E-02	1.111E-02	-1.950E-03	1.375E-04
S10	-8.176E+00	-7.204E-02	2.713E-02	-8.822E-03	1.803E-03	-2.120E-04	1.069E-05

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Fourth Embodiment

The lens module **100** according to the fourth embodiment of the present invention will be described with reference to FIGS. 7, 8A, 8B, and 8C.

The lens module **100** according to the fourth embodiment may include the first lens **10** having positive refractive power, the second lens **20** having negative refractive power, the third lens **30** having positive refractive power, the fourth lens **40** having negative refractive power, and the fifth lens **50** having negative refractive power.

Here, the fourth lens **40** may have an inflection point at the peripheral portion thereof based the optical axis (C-C) like in the third embodiment.

TABLE 7

Surface No.	Radius of Curvature	Thickness or Distance	Refractive Index	Abbe No. (v)
S1	1.421	0.64	1.544	56.1
S2	4.647	0.08		
S3	3.052	0.25	1.632	23.4
S4	1.803	0.49		
S5	-167.850	0.48	1.544	56.1
S6	-2.394	0.16		
S7	-0.971	0.36	1.635	24
S8	-1.128	0.43		
S9	4.527	0.67	1.544	56.1
S10	1.673	0.21		
S11	Infinity	0.30	1.517	64.2
S12	Infinity	0.81		
img	Infinity			

In the lens module **100** of the present embodiment, the focal distance f1 of the first lens **10** is 3.52 mm; the focal distance f2 of the second lens **20** is -7.55 mm; the focal distance f3 of the third lens **30** is 4.46 mm; the focal distance f4 of the fourth lens **40** is -95.01 mm; the focal distance f5 of the fifth lens **50** is -5.32 mm; and the overall focal distance f is 4.21 mm. In addition, F No. and TL according to the embodiment are 2.20 and 4.87, respectively. F No. of the present embodiment is low, similarly to the case of the third embodiment, but TL according to the embodiment is slightly larger as compared with those of the first and second embodiments.

TABLE 8

Surface No.	K	A	B	C	D	E	F
S1	-5.367E-02	8.025E-03	1.514E-02	3.207E-03	-7.845E-03	1.837E-02	0.000E+00
S2	0.000E+00	-1.984E-01	3.673E-01	-4.480E-01	4.132E-01	-1.994E-01	0.000E+00
S3	0.000E+00	-3.320E-01	4.807E-01	-4.276E-01	2.646E-01	-1.515E-01	0.000E+00
S4	2.336E+00	-1.899E-01	2.280E-01	-8.781E-02	-8.228E-02	3.671E-02	0.000E+00
S5	0.000E+00	-7.394E-02	2.007E-02	-1.709E-01	2.681E-01	-1.298E-01	0.000E+00
S6	0.000E+00	5.194E-02	-2.272E-02	-4.804E-02	8.263E-02	-3.874E-02	0.000E+00
S7	-3.411E+00	4.881E-02	6.940E-02	-3.097E-02	1.160E-02	-2.132E-02	8.095E-03
S8	-3.459E+00	-1.721E-04	4.079E-02	4.433E-03	-6.632E-03	-2.549E-03	1.346E-03
S9	-1.756E+01	-1.367E-01	4.374E-02	-6.467E-03	4.294E-04	-7.727E-07	0.000E+00
S10	-8.176E+00	-6.509E-02	1.730E-02	-3.737E-03	4.503E-04	-3.085E-05	8.626E-07

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Fifth Embodiment

The lens module **100** according to the fifth embodiment of the present invention will be described with reference to FIGS. 9, 10A, 10B, and 10C.

The lens module **100** according to the fifth embodiment may include the first lens **10** having positive refractive power, the second lens **20** having negative refractive power, the third lens **30** having positive refractive power, the fourth lens **40** having negative refractive power, and the fifth lens **50** having negative refractive power.

TABLE 9

Surface No.	Radius of Curvature	Thickness or Distance	Refractive Index	Abbe No. (v)
S1	1.637	0.72	1.544	56.1
S2	45.096	0.09		
S3	4.687	0.30	1.632	23.4
S4	1.971	0.40		
S5	-20.922	0.43	1.544	56.1
S6	-3.417	0.43		
S7	-1.297	0.41	1.635	24
S8	-1.491	0.09		
S9	3.226	0.98	1.544	56.1
S10	1.685	0.20		
S11	Infinity	0.30	1.517	64.2
S12	Infinity	0.70		
img	Infinity			

In the lens module **100** of the present embodiment, the focal distance f1 of the first lens **10** is 3.09 mm; the focal distance f2 of the second lens **20** is -5.56 mm; the focal distance f3 of the third lens **30** is 7.41 mm; the focal distance f4 of the fourth lens **40** is -91.69 mm; the focal distance f5 of the fifth lens **50** is -8.34 mm; and the overall focal distance f is 4.25 mm. In addition, F No. of the present embodiment is 2.20, brighter as compared with the first and second embodiments, but TL according to the embodiment is 5.05, the greatest among the accompanying embodiments.

TABLE 10

Surface No.	K	A	B	C	D	E	F
S1	-3.596E-01	1.165E-03	7.459E-03	-2.742E-02	1.868E-02	-4.584E-03	-7.427E-03
S2	0.000E+00	-1.559E-01	3.396E-01	-4.891E-01	3.692E-01	-1.290E-01	0.000E+00
S3	0.000E+00	-2.524E-01	5.538E-01	-6.911E-01	5.115E-01	-1.753E-01	0.000E+00
S4	1.265E+00	-1.673E-01	3.220E-01	-3.118E-01	2.376E-01	-8.550E-02	0.000E+00
S5	0.000E+00	-1.078E-01	3.365E-02	-5.060E-03	1.153E-01	-7.499E-02	8.252E-03
S6	0.000E+00	-4.706E-02	-2.680E-02	7.909E-02	-3.231E-02	2.626E-02	-1.321E-02
S7	-7.540E+00	-7.308E-02	1.782E-02	6.047E-03	1.635E-02	-1.995E-02	4.378E-03
S8	-6.736E+00	-8.506E-02	2.676E-02	1.017E-02	-2.270E-03	-2.827E-03	7.803E-04
S9	-1.756E+01	-7.900E-01	3.000E-01	-7.265E-02	1.000E-02	1.450E-03	0.000E+00
S10	-8.176E+00	-1.048E+00	7.922E-02	-1.488E-02	7.258E-03	2.992E-04	0.000E+00

Table 11 shows main numerical values for the above-described embodiments.

All of the above-described embodiments 1 to 5 satisfy numerical limitations according to Mathematical Expressions 1 to 5, as shown in Table 11.

Here, the first and second embodiments may provide a relatively smaller TL than the other embodiments, while the third to fifth embodiments may provide a relatively brighter lens module than the other embodiments.

TABLE 11

Note	First Embodiment	Second Embodiment	Third Embodiment	Fourth Embodiment	Fifth Embodiment
f	4.12	4.12	4.16	4.21	4.25
BFL	1.20	1.21	1.17	1.32	1.20
F No.	2.40	2.40	2.20	2.20	2.20
TL	4.77	4.77	4.87	4.87	5.05
FOV	70.00	70.20	70.40	69.70	69.10
f1	2.91	2.86	3.23	3.52	3.09
f2	-5.68	-5.50	-5.85	-7.55	-5.56
f3	8.44	7.85	5.46	4.46	7.41
f4	-25.61	-100.00	-100.00	-95.01	-91.69
f5	-12.01	-8.24	-6.31	-5.32	-8.34
f4/f	-6.22	-24.27	-24.04	-22.57	-21.57
v1-v4	32.10	32.10	30.50	32.10	32.10
f3/f2	-1.49	-1.43	-0.93	-0.59	-1.33
f4/f1	-8.82	-34.95	-30.98	-27.01	-29.66
TL/f	1.16	1.16	1.17	1.16	1.19
v2	23.40	23.40	23.40	23.40	23.40

As set forth above, the lens module capable of realizing a high-resolution camera and a bright optical system can be provided.

While the present invention has been shown and described in connection with the embodiments, it will be apparent to those skilled in the art that modifications and variations can be made without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as defined by the appended claims.

What is claimed is:

1. A lens module, comprising:

a first lens having positive refractive power of which an object side surface is convex and an image-side surface is concave;

a second lens having negative refractive power and being convex toward the object side and concave toward the image side;

a third lens having positive refractive power and a meniscus shape being concave toward the object side and convex toward the image side;

a fourth lens having negative refractive power and a meniscus shape being concave toward the object side and convex toward the image side; and

a fifth lens having a refractive power and comprising an object-side surface being convex in the center and concave at the periphery and an image-side surface being concave in the center and convex at the periphery, wherein at least one or more inflection points are formed on the image-side surface of the fifth lens.

2. The lens module of claim 1, wherein the first lens is thicker than the third lens and the fourth lens is thicker than the second lens.

3. The lens module of claim 1, wherein a focal length f2 of the second lens and a focal length f3 of the third lens satisfy the following conditional expression:

$$-3.0 < f3/f2 < -0.3.$$

4. The lens module of claim 1, wherein a focal length f2 of the second lens and a focal length f3 of the third lens satisfy the following conditional expression:

$$-1.49 \leq f3/f2 \leq -0.59.$$

5. The lens module of claim 1, wherein a distance TL from an object-side surface of the first lens to an image sensor and an overall focal distance f of the lens module satisfy the following conditional expression:

$$0.5 < TL/f < 2.0.$$

6. The lens module of claim 1, wherein the second lens, the third lens, the fourth lens and the fifth lens are made of plastic, and the lens module further comprises an aperture disposed in front of the first lens.

7. The lens module of claim 1, wherein a focal length of the second lens is greater than a focal length of the fourth lens, and a focal length of the third lens is greater than a focal length of the second lens.

8. The lens module of claim 1, wherein a focal length of the first lens is greater than a focal length of the second lens and shorter than the focal length of the third lens.

9. The lens module of claim 1, wherein a radius of curvature of an object-side surface of the second lens is greater than a radius of curvature of an image-side surface of the second lens, a radius of curvature of the object-side surface of the fifth lens is greater than a radius of curvature of the image-side surface of the fifth lens, and a radius of curvature of an object-side surface of the fourth lens is greater than a radius of curvature of an image-side surface of the fourth lens.

10. The lens module claim 9, wherein a radius of curvature of an image-side surface of the first lens is greater than a radius of curvature of an object-side surface of the first lens, the third lens is thicker than the second lens, and the first lens is thicker than the fourth lens and the fifth lens is thicker than the first lens.

11. The lens module of claim 1, wherein an Abbe number of the second lens is 20 to 30.

12. The lens module of claim 11, wherein an Abbe number v_1 of the first lens and an Abbe number v_4 of the fourth lens satisfy the following conditional expression:

$$20 < v_1 - v_4 < 40.$$

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13. A lens module, comprising:

a first lens having positive refractive power of which an object side surface is convex and an image-side surface is concave;

a second lens having negative refractive power;

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a third lens having positive refractive power;

a fourth lens having negative refractive power of which an object-side surface is concave and an image-side surface is convex; and

a fifth lens having refractive power and comprising an object-side surface being convex in the center and concave at the periphery and an image-side surface being concave in the center and convex at the periphery.

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14. The lens module of claim 13, wherein each lens has a radius of curvature with respect to an image-side surface and an object-side surface that vary and thicknesses that vary.

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